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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 19, 2016 4:05 PM  
**To:** FOIA HQ  
**Subject:** Gold King Mine FOIA  
**Attachments:** Barton Gold King Mine FOIA pdf.pdf

Hello,

Please see the attached FOIA regarding the Gold King Mine. I would like this FOIA request processed separately from any other requests I have filed today. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

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**FOIA REQUEST**

**Fee waiver requested**

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of any and all emails regarding media requests between January 1, 2016 and April 19, 2016 from [ethan@dailycallernewsfoundation.org](mailto:ethan@dailycallernewsfoundation.org), [mike@dailycallernewsfoundation.org](mailto:mike@dailycallernewsfoundation.org), or [michael@dailycallernewsfoundation.org](mailto:michael@dailycallernewsfoundation.org) regarding “Gold King Mine,” “Animas River,” or “San Juan River.”

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of any and all emails between January 1, 2016 and April 19, 2016 regarding:

“Gold King Mine;”

“Animas River;” or

“San Juan River;”

and the following terms:

“Ethan Barton;”

“Mike Bastasch;”

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“Daily Caller;”

“Daily Caller News Foundation;”

“[mike@dailycallernewsfoundation.org](mailto:mike@dailycallernewsfoundation.org);”

“[michael@dailycallernewsfoundation.org](mailto:michael@dailycallernewsfoundation.org);” or

“[ethan@dailycallernewsfoundation.org](mailto:ethan@dailycallernewsfoundation.org)”

I would like to receive this information in a searchable PDF, in .docx format, or .xlsx format via email or thumb drive. If that is not possible, I would prefer to receive them via CD or digital dropbox.

Please waive any applicable fees. Release of the information will contribute significantly to public understanding of government operations and activities regarding the Environmental Protection Agency’s response to the Gold King Mine blowout. The records will be used in

articles disseminated to the public through the Daily Caller News Foundation, a nonprofit media organization.

If, however, I am denied a fee waiver, I agree to pay reasonable duplication fees for the processing of this request in an amount not to exceed \$25. However, please notify me prior to your incurring any expenses in excess of that amount.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. I will also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

If there is anything that may cause denial, I am willing to amend my request and discuss it with you.

Please do not hesitate to call me with an questions or comments. I would appreciate your communicating with me by email or telephone, rather than by mail. I can be reached at [ethan@dailycallernewsfoundation.org](mailto:ethan@dailycallernewsfoundation.org) or 410-829-1738.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Ethan Barton